FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. \$167

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee			
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SUBJECT:	Property Appraisal Procedures for Governmental Entities			

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES: See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES IS: See Below

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 167 requires all governmental entities that administer land use regulations to adopt regulations and internal procedures for appraising property and compensating property owners for property taken under eminent domain procedures, and to provide for inverse condemnation action by property owners.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

State Budget & Control Board (Board):

A review of this Bill by staff of the Board indicates there could be annual average cost of \$18,000 to the State. This estimate is based on an average of six acquisitions per year at an average net cost of \$3,000 per transaction.

Department of Transportation (DOT)

DOT indicates this Bill will have minimal impact on agency expenditures, which could be absorbed within existing resources. There could be some increased litigation over driveway encroachment permits and outdoor advertising permits. However, it is not anticipated to be excessive.

The Forestry Commission, Department Parks, Recreation & Tourism, and Santee-Cooper (Public Service Authority) each indicate there would be no cost associated with enactment of this Bill.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Responses indicate the impact per locality would average between \$75,000 and \$125,000. The estimate includes salary and fringe for one or two additional staff, operating costs, and one-time expenses including a vehicle and office set-up.

SPECIAL NOTES:

This impact statement does not address the cost of compensating landowners.

Approved by:

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